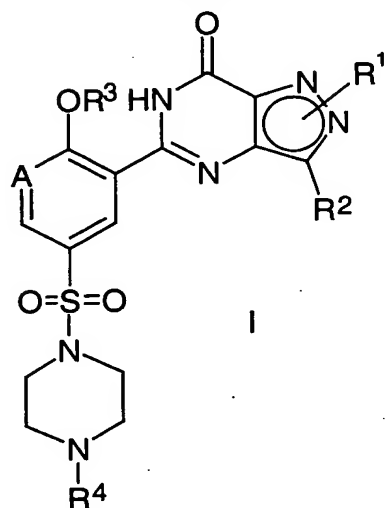


ABSTRACT

There is provided a process for the production a compound of general formula I:



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wherein A, R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ have meanings given in the description, which process comprises the dehydrogenation of a compound of general formula II,

